# Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, DC 20554

In the Petition of	)	
La Plata County, Colorado	)	MB Docket No. 12-1 CSR -
For Modification of the Television Market	)	
of Station KCNC (CBS), Channel 4,	)	
Denver, Colorado with Respect to DISH	)	
Network and DIRECTV	)	
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TO: Chief Media Bureau	ĺ	

# PETITION FOR SPECIAL RELIEF

La Plata County, Colorado, pursuant to Section 338 of the Communications Act and Sections 76.7, 76.59 and 76.66 of the Commission's rules, hereby requests (hereinafter, the "Petition") that the television market of KCNC (Channel 4, CBS, Denver, Colorado) ("KCNC" or "Station") be modified to include La Plata County (the "County") in southwest Colorado with respect to satellite TV provider DISH Network ("DISH") and satellite TV provider DIRECTV (DIRECTV). The County has long been assigned by Nielsen to the Albuquerque, New Mexico designated market area ("DMA"). As such, the County has been "orphaned" by Nielsen due to its assignment to an out-of-state DMA and has been deprived of the ability to receive from a satellite carrier its preferred in-state television broadcast stations. Consumers in the County have up until now have been unable to receive from a satellite carrier important news from their own state capitol, and sports fans in the County have had far fewer opportunities to enjoy televised sporting events such as Denver Broncos football games.

The STELA Reauthorization Act of 2014 ("STELAR") empowered the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC" or "Commission") to modify a television broadcast

station's local market when it would, among other things, "address satellite subscribers' inability to receive in-state programming in certain areas." This Petition thus falls within Section 338's market modification provision, which allows the Commission to "include additional communities within [a station']...to better effectuate the purposes of this section."

For the reasons explained below, the County respectfully requests that the Commission modify KCNC's local market, as defined in 17 U.S.C. § 122(j), to include the County with respect to carriage by DISH and DIRECTV.

#### I. THIS PETITION SATISIFES THE STATUTORY FACTORS

As required by STELAR, the Commission determines whether to grant a market modification based on consideration of five statutory factors. These factors reflect the four factors previously applicable to market modifications in the cable context, plus an additional factor to assess "whether modifying the local market of the television station would promote consumers' access to television broadcast station signals that originate in their State of residence." The five factors are:

- 1. Whether the station or other stations located in the same area have been historically carried on: (a) the cable system or systems within that community; and (b) the satellite carrier or carriers serving that community;
- 2. Whether the television station provides coverage or other local service to that community;
- 3. Whether modifying the local market of the television station would promote consumers' access to television broadcast station signals that originate in their state of residence;
- 4. Whether any other television station that is eligible to be carried by a satellite carrier in the community in fulfillment of the requirements provides news coverage of issues of concern to the community or provides carriage or coverage of sporting and other events of interest to the community; and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Market Modification Order ¶ 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 338(1).

- 5. Evidence of viewing patterns in households that subscribe and do not subscribe to the services offered by multichannel video programming distributors within the areas served by the multichannel video programming distributors in the community.<sup>3</sup>
  - A. This Petition Satisfies the Third and Most Important Factor By Bringing an In-State Local Broadcast Station to Consumers Who Historically Have Been Unable to Receive It From a Satellite Carrier

Where, as here, the purpose of the market modification is to bring a previously unavailable (via satellite carrier) in-state local broadcast station to a community, the third factor should carry significant weight in the Commission's analysis. Today, because the County is assigned to the Albuquerque, New Mexico DMA, all of its local broadcast content available by satellite is oriented to the interests of a different state. The Station is licensed in the Denver, Colorado DMA, which is in the same state as the County. As the La Plata County Commissioners have previously explained, "La Plata County residents feel disenfranchised and disadvantaged by the lack of access to Denver programming," and want to receive "news, as well as educational, sports and other programming, from our own state capitol." It is noteworthy that La Plata County's plight was a case study in the Commission's Media Bureau 2011 and 2016 In-State Reports to Congress.

This Petition therefore satisfies the third factor by delivering an in-state CBS-affiliated local broadcast station from Denver, the Colorado state capital, over DISH's and DIRECTV's satellite TV service to consumers in the County who have previously been unable to receive it

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Order ¶ 8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Order ¶ 4 and Order ¶ 18.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Letter from La Plata County Board of County Commissioners to FCC, MB Docket No. 10-148 (Aug. 3, 2010).

from DISH and DIRECTV. As the Order explains, this third in-state factor receives enhanced weight when the Commission considers market modification petitions.<sup>6</sup>

This Petition is also timely, given that 2016 is a Presidential election year. In this, and every election year, La Plata County residents do not have access to specific public affairs programming such as televised debates of Congressional candidates, candidates for State office, or statewide ballot issues, which compromises their ability to be well informed and well educated as to issues affecting them as citizens of Colorado. Constituents in the County have an interest in seeing their own state officials and news regarding state political campaigns on satellite TV, and this Petition would facilitate such access. As three members of the Colorado congressional delegation remarked in a letter to the FCC during the development of the market modification rules, "[o]ne constituent from La Plata County, Colorado said that in her 15 years as a resident of the county, she had 'never seen any of the state's governors or other elected representatives on television." Grant of the this Petition would enable DISH and DIRECTV subscribers in the County to receive the Station, which offers Colorado-oriented weather, news, sports, and political coverage, among other things, through their satellite TV package.

## B. The Remaining Factors Support This Petition

The first, second, and fifth factors all relate to historical or current opportunity to view the Station in the County (the first and second factors), and whether the residents of the County

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See Order ¶ 4 ("We conclude that the new in-state factor, when applicable, favors any market modification that would promote consumers' access to an in-state station. When applicable, this in-state factor serves as an enhancement, the particular weight of which depends on the strength of showing by the petitioner.")

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Letter from Senator Michael F. Bennet, Senator Cory Gardner, and Representative Scott Tipton, to The Honorable Tom Wheeler, Chairman, FCC, MB Docket No. 15-71 (April 14, 2015).

have availed themselves of such opportunities (the fifth factor). Since the purpose of STELAR was to facilitate access to in-state broadcast programming, neither a lack of historical carriage or coverage, nor a commensurate lack of historical viewing patterns for the Station, should weigh against the requested market modification. Because the County has long been assigned by Nielsen to an out-of-state DMA, STELAR's market modification provision marks the first opportunity for the County to receive the Station's signal over satellite. Given this lack of carriage, residents of the County have had scant opportunity to develop any viewing patterns for the Station. It is precisely this lack of opportunity to view, via satellite TV, an in-state network-affiliated station that this Petition intends to remedy.

Regarding the fourth factor, the County is unaware of another in-state local broadcast station carried by a satellite or cable provider in the County that offers Denver- and Colorado-oriented news coverage of issues of concern to residents of the County. In fact, the Commission's Media Bureau 2016 In-State Report to Congress notes that neither DIRECTV nor DISH offer such carriage.

### II. EVIDENTIARY SHOWING

The County submits evidence as explained below responsive to the evidentiary requirements in the Commission's rules.<sup>8</sup>

- With respect to Factor 2, attached as <u>Exhibit A</u> is a map indicating the approximate highway distance between the County and KCNC's main transmitter site near Lookout Mountain in Golden, Colorado. As the map shows, the County is roughly 330 miles away by car from KCNC's main transmitter site in the Denver DMA.
- With respect to Factor 2, attached as <u>Exhibit B</u> is a map illustrating the location of the County and indicating KCNC's coverage area based on over-the-air signal strength.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 76.59(b)(7).

- Although market modifications generally require information on "shopping and labor patterns in the local market," such data should not impact any decision about whether or not residents of the County should be able to receive Colorado-based local broadcast stations by satellite. As Exhibit A shows, the County is several hundred miles and approximately 7 hours by car away from KCNC's main transmitter site, suggesting that residents of the County likely do not regularly commute to the Denver area for work or conduct daily shopping errands in that area. Nonetheless, residents of the County will benefit from being able to receive an in-state local broadcast station from Denver, not because the Station is geographically close to them, but because the station provides news, state political coverage, sports and other information that is important to them as Colorado residents. Therefore, to the extent necessary, we respectfully request a waiver of this item as such information is not available to the County and offers little to no value to the Commission in assessing the merits of this petition.
- With respect to Factor 2, attached as <u>Exhibit C</u> is a recent multi-day programming lineup for KCNC, which shows that the Station broadcasts a local news program with Colorado news, sports and weather several times a day, with "CBS4 News" airing at 12:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 6:00 pm, and 10:00 pm local time.
- Commission rules require that market modification petitions include "[c]able system or satellite carrier channel line-up cards or other exhibits establishing historic carriage [of a given station], such as television guide listings." There has not been historic carriage of the Station in the County by satellite carriers, and therefore no evidence is being submitted for this element with respect to satellite.
- With respect to Factor 5, Commission rules require that market modification petitions include "[p]ublished audience data for the relevant station showing its average all day audience . . . for both multichannel video programming distributor (MVPD) and non-MVPD households[.]" As discussed above, given the lack of historical carriage of the Station in the County, Nielsen rating or other audience data would not be helpful in evaluating this Petition. Therefore, to the extent necessary, we respectfully request a waiver of this item.

### III. TECHNICAL AND ECONOMIC FEASIBILITY

On June 14, 2016, the County sent to DISH a pre-filing coordination letter pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 76.59(e) of the Commission's rules (Exhibit D). DISH responded on July 14, 2016 ("DISH Response") (Exhibit E) and confirmed that based upon DISH's current knowledge and satellite coverage capabilities, DISH was unaware of any factors that render the provision of the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 76.59(b)(1)-(7).

Station in the County to be "technically infeasible" pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 76.59(e). DISH, however, reserved the right to amend its feasibility certification "at any time due to, among other things, a satellite equipment failure or a different satellite being brought into service for the area that includes the County which has different coverage capabilities than the satellite(s) currently being used." According to DISH, at this time, any provision of the Station to the County will be in standard definition (SD) format only. 12

The County also understands from the DISH Response that if a given a Denver, Colorado local broadcast station impacted by a market modification elects retransmission consent with respect to DISH for carriage of its station in the County, "DISH cannot be certain whether it will be able to successfully reach an agreement with the station." And, if DISH is unable to reach a retransmission consent agreement with a given station, "it will be impossible for DISH to provide that station's signal into the County." DISH also clarified that if only some, but not all, of the Denver Big-4 stations and/or PBS "were to deny DISH the right to retransmit its signal into the County, it may be either technically or economically infeasible, or both, for DISH to launch a customer offering with only the remaining stations that did grant retransmission consent." The DISH Response also notes that "an FCC grant of a market modification could result in, among other things, two different stations affiliated with the same broadcast network being authorized for satellite local-into-local carriage in the County," which could "result in

 $<sup>^{10}</sup>$  Letter from Jeffery Blum, DISH, to La Plata County, MB Docket No. 15-71, Attachment: Feasibility Certification Pursuant to 47 C.F.R.  $\S$  76.59(e),  $\P$  3 (July 14, 2016) ("DISH Response").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> *Id.*  $\P$  4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> *Id.* ¶ 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> *Id*.

DISH being required to pay retransmission consent fees twice for the same broadcast network."<sup>16</sup> DISH therefore has stated that it "must reserve the right to charge additional fees to subscribers in La Plata County who elect to receive any Denver local broadcast stations that DISH may be authorized to offer as a result of any market modification."<sup>17</sup>

On June 14, 2016, the County sent to DIRECTV a pre-filing coordination letter pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 76.59(e) of the Commission's rules (Exhibit F). DIRECTV responded by letter on July 22, 2016 and by email dated August 8, 2016 ("DIRECTV Response") (Exhibit G) and confirmed that based upon DIRECTV's current knowledge and satellite coverage capabilities, DIRECTV can provide service to all the zip codes associated within the County with its SD spot beam but cannot provide HD service to some zip codes associated with the request because reception of the signal does not meet the minimum performance thresholds for DIRECTV's service. <sup>18</sup> DIRECTV also noted that SD coverage will no longer be available after 2018/2019 when the existing MPEG2 satellite is removed from service. <sup>19</sup> By email dated August 8, 2016, DIRECTV clarified its July 22, 2016 letter and added that "regarding economic feasibility, we did not identify any issues that would make La Plata County's request economically infeasible." No factors were identified that rendered the provision of the Station in the County to be "technically infeasible" pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 76.59(e).

Attached as Exhibit H is a letter dated August 29, 2016 to Senator Michael Bennet and Senator Cory Gardner signed by Joan M. Barrett, Vice President/General Manager, KDVR-TV/KWGN-TV, Denver, CO, Walt DeHaven, Vice President/General Manager, KCNC-TV,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> *Id.* ¶ 6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Form of Certification Regarding Spot Beam Coverage by Phil Goswitz, Senior Vice President of Engineering, DIRECTV, dated July 19, 2016 (an attachment to DIRECTV's letter to the County dated July 22, 2016).

<sup>19</sup> Id

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Email dated August 8, 2016 from Peggy Boucher, Programming Content Lead, DIRECTV

Denver, CO, Brad Remington, Vice President/General Manager, KMGH-TV, Denver, CO, Mark

Cornetta, Executive Vice President TEGNA Media, KUSA-TV/KTVD-TV, Denver, CO and

Doug Price, CEO, Rocky Mountain PBS, Denver, CO, wherein the stations indicate their

willingness "to negotiate terms of targeted carriage arrangements to allow delivery of local, in-

state, non-duplicative broadcast programming and to increase access to in-state news by

Colorado viewers."

Carriage of Denver television stations in La Plata County is an issue of utmost

importance to the citizens of our community. In that regard, attached as Exhibit I are public

comments recently submitted (over the past 10 days) to the La Plata County Board of County

Commissioners in support of this petition. Over the years, countless other constituents have

expressed their strong desire for Denver television programming to the La Plata County Board of

County Commissioners.

Finally, attached as Annex J is a letter dated October 26, 2016 signed by Senator Michael

F. Bennett, Senator Cory Gardner and Representative Scott R. Tipton indicating strong support

of La Plata County's market modification petition.

IV. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, the County urges the Commission to expeditiously grant its

Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

LA PLATA COUNTY

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** 

Bradford P. Blake, Chair

October 25, 2016

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I, Jan Mayer-Gawlik, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Petitions for Special Relief were placed in first class U.S. mail, postage prepaid, on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016 addressed to the following:

KASA - TV / KREZ-LD 13 Broadcast Plaza SW Albuquerque, NM 87104

KASY -TV 13 Broadcast Plaza SW Albuquerque, NM 87104

KAZQ 4501 Montgomery NE Albuquerque, NM 87109

KBIM-TV 214 N. Main Street Roswell, NM 88201

KCHF 27556 I-25 East Frontage Rd. Sante Fe, NM 87508

KENW 1450 South Avenue N Portales, NM 88130

KKNJ-LP 200 S. Alto Mesa Dr El Paso, TX 79912

KLUZ-TV 2725-F Broadbent Pkwy NE Albuquerque, NM 87107

KNAT-TV 1510 Coors Road NW Albuquerque, NM 87121

KNMD-TV 1130 University Blvd. NE Albuquerque, NM 87102

KNME-TV 1130 University Blvd. NE Albuquerque, NM 87102

KOAT-TV / KOVT 3801 Carlisle NE Albuquerque, NM 87107 KOB/KOBF/KOBR 4 BROADCAST PLAZA SW Albuquerque, NM 87104

KQDF-LP 1701 N. Market Street, Suite 500

Dallas, TX 75202

KREZ-TV 190 Turner Drive, Suite G Durango, CO 81303

KRMU 1089 Bannock Street Denver, CO 80204

KRQE 13 Broadcast Plaza SW Albuquerque, NM 87104

KRTN-TV P.O. Box 3757 Lubbock, TX 79423

KRWB-TV 13 Broadcast Plaza SW Albuquerque, NM 87401

KTEL-TV 2400 Monroe NE Albuquerque, NM

KTFA-LP 2725 Broadbent Parkway NE, Suite F

Albuquerque, NM 87107

KTFQ-DT

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Albuquerque, NM 87104

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5010 4th Street NW Albuquerque, NM 87107

KMGH-TV

123 E Speer Boulevard Denver, CO 80203

**KCNC** 

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KDVR 100 East Speer Blvd Denver, CO 80203

KUSA 500 Speer Blvd Denver, CO 80203

n Mayer-Gawlik

Date: October 27, 2016

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I, Jan Mayer-Gawlik, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Petitions for Special Relief were placed in first class U.S. mail, postage prepaid, on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016 addressed to the following:

DIRECTV, LLC Local-Into-Local – Market Modification 2260 East Imperial Highway El Segundo, CA 90245

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Director & Senior Counsel,
Regulatory Affairs
Dish Network, LLC
1110 Vermont Ave., NW,
Suite 750
Washington, DC 20005

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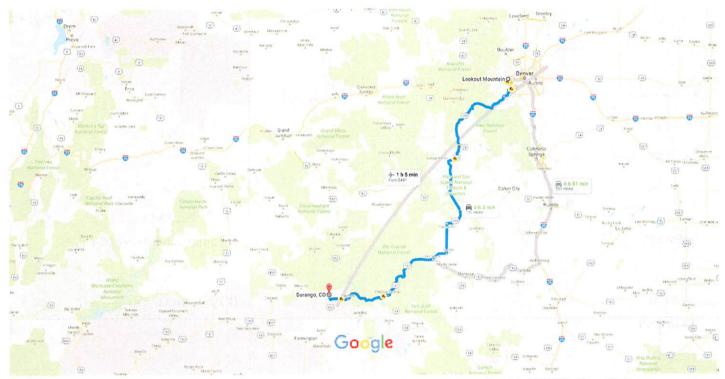
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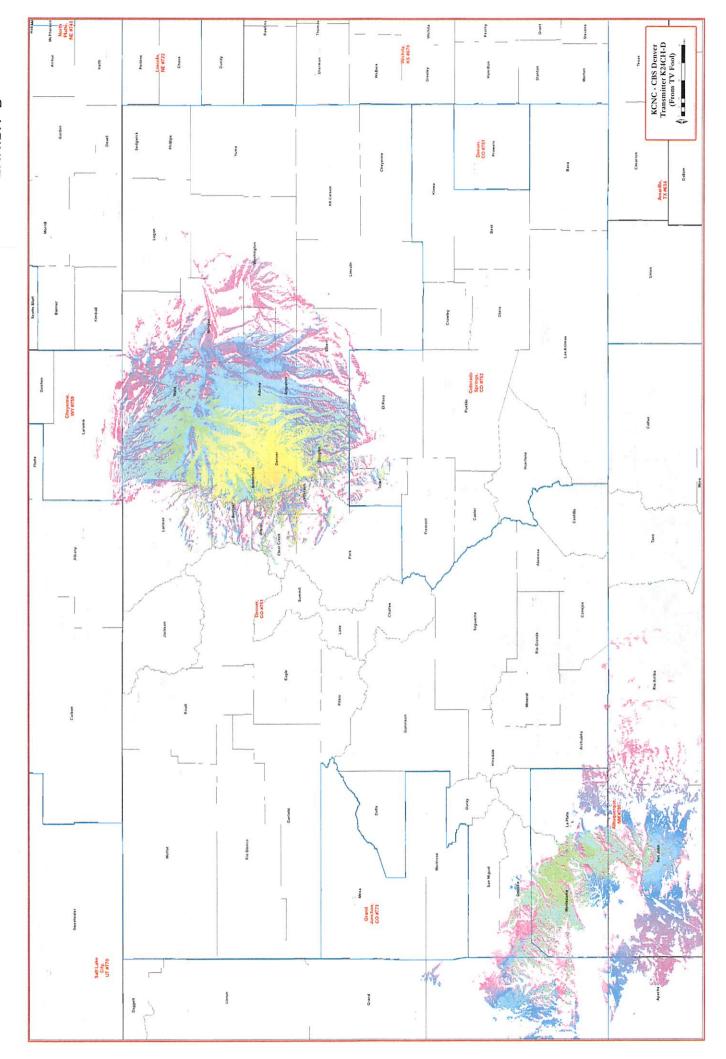
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< DECADES:	4.2		Animal Rescue (TV-G) Host Alex Paen shows footage and re- enactments of heroic efforts of people as they rescue animals in danger from the elements, accidents or abusive situations.		Wonderful World (TV-G) In-depth explanations of the various wild and exotic animals across the globe, with footage of the many creatures as they adapt and survive in the wilderness.	Wonderful World (TV-G) In-depth explanations of the various wild and exotic animals across the globe, with footage of the many creatures as they adapt and survive in the wilderness.	Missing Scheduled: cases of 24 missing children and 3 missing adults; blocking unwanted messages and emails; public transportation safety.	Missing Scheduled: 24 missing persons cases; teaching teens and children about emergency contacts and the buddy system; choosing where to park.	

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June 14, 2016

Ms. Alison A. Minea
Director & Senior Counsel, Regulatory Affairs
Dish Network L.L.C.
1110 Vermont Ave NW, Suite 750
Washington, DC 20005

Subject:

Request for Feasibility Certification for La Plata County Market Modification Request

#### Ladies/Gentlemen:

In accordance with the authority granted by the Satellite Television Extension and Localism Act Reauthorization Act of 2014 (STELAR), the La Plata County Board of County Commissioners intends to request that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) approve a market modification to enable satellite customers in La Plata County to receive certain Denver television stations (including, but not limited to, KUSA/KTVD, KCNC, KDVR/KWGN, KMGH/KZCO, KRMA) through their satellite providers.

In that regard, pursuant to Sections 30 and 36 of FCC MB Docket No. 15-71, and in accordance with the "pre-filing coordinating process" established by the FCC. La Plata County Board of County Commissioners respectfully requests that Dish Network provide La Plata County a certification concerning the technical and economic feasibility of carriage within La Plata County

We understand that our request will be considered within 45 days and that Dish Network will file a copy of any related correspondence and the feasibility certification with the FCC in MB Docket No. 15-71.

Please direct your response to the La Plata County Board of County Commissioners, La Plata County, 1101 E. 2nd Ave., Durango, CO 81301. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Joanne M. Spina, Assistant County Manager, at 970-382-6211 or by email at joanne spina@co.lapiata.co.us.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

Sincerely,

LA PLATA COUNTY

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Jeffrey Blum Senior Vice President and Deputy General Counsel (202) 463-3703

July 14, 2016

### VIA ECFS, EMAIL, AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

Board of County Commissioners La Plata County 1101 E. 2nd Ave Durango, CO 81301

Re: STELAR Feasibility Certification, Market Modification Pre-Filing Coordination Letter for La Plata County, CO, MB Docket No. 15-71

To the La Plata County Board of County Commissioners:

DISH Network L.L.C. ("DISH") is in receipt of your pre-filing coordination letter ("Letter"), 1 pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC") rules governing market modifications for satellite carriers under the STELA Reauthorization Act of 2014 ("STELAR").<sup>2</sup>

The Letter requests information regarding carriage of certain Denver, Colorado local broadcast stations (including, but not limited to, KUSA/KTVD, KCNC, KDVR/KWGN, KMGH/KZCO, and KRMA) to DISH subscribers in La Plata County, Colorado.

The attached Feasibility Certification pursuant to 47 C.F.R § 76.59(e) reflects DISH's response to the Letter.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Letter from the La Plata County Board of County Commissioners to Alison Minea, DISH Network, June 14, 2016.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Amendment to the Commission's Rules Concerning Market Modification, Implementation of Section 102 of the STELA Reauthorization Act of 2014, Report and Order, MB Docket No. 15-71, FCC 15-111, ¶ 47 (Sept. 2, 2015) ("Market Modification Order"). See also STELA Reauthorization Act of 2014 (STELAR), § 102, Pub. L. No. 113-200, 128 Stat. 2059, 2060-62 (2014) (codified at 47 U.S.C. § 338(1)).

Since	rely,
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<u>/s/</u>\_

Jeffrey Blum
Senior Vice President and Deputy
General Counsel
DISH Network L.L.C.

cc: Joanne M. Spina, joanne.spina@co.laplata.co.us

Attachment: Feasibility Certification Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 76.59(e)

### FEASIBILITY CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 47 C.F.R § 76.59(e)

- This certification is issued by DISH Network L.L.C. ("DISH") pursuant to the pre-filing coordination procedures contained in the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC") Order<sup>1</sup> governing market modifications for satellite carriers under the STELA Reauthorization Act of 2014 ("STELAR").<sup>2</sup>
- 2. This certification responds to the letter ("Letter") from the La Plata County Board of County Commissioners requesting information regarding carriage of certain Denver, Colorado local broadcast stations (including, but not limited to, KUSA/KTVD, KCNC, KDVR/KWGN, KMGH/KZCO, and KRMA) (the "Stations") to DISH subscribers in La Plata County, Colorado (the "County").
- 3. DISH has evaluated the Letter in light of its current satellites and spot beam configurations, and has determined that, at this time, DISH is unaware of any factors that render such carriage "technically infeasible" pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 76.59(e). DISH, however, reserves the right to amend this Feasibility Certification at any time due to, among other things, a satellite equipment failure or a different satellite being brought into service for the area that includes the County which has different coverage capabilities than the satellite(s) currently being used.
- 4. Based on DISH's current technical capabilities, any provision of the Stations to the County will be in standard definition (SD) format only.
- 5. To the extent that a Denver, Colorado local broadcast station impacted by a market modification elects retransmission consent with respect to DISH for carriage of its station in the County, DISH cannot be certain whether it will be able to successfully reach an agreement with the station. If DISH is unable to reach a retransmission consent agreement with a given station, it will be impossible for DISH to provide that station's signal into the County. If any one of the five Stations referenced in your Letter were to deny DISH the right to retransmit its signal into the County, it may be either technically or economically infeasible,<sup>3</sup> or both, for DISH to launch a customer offering with only the remaining stations that did grant retransmission consent.
- 6. As DISH noted in its comments during the development of the market modification rules, 4 an FCC grant of a market modification could result in, among other things, two different stations affiliated with the same broadcast network being authorized for satellite

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Comments of DISH Network L.L.C. at 9, MB Docket No. 15-71 (May 13, 2015).

local-into-local carriage in the County. This could result in DISH being required to pay retransmission consent fees twice for the same broadcast network. Therefore, we must reserve the right to charge additional fees to subscribers in La Plata County who elect to receive any Denver local broadcast stations that DISH may be authorized to offer as a result of any market modification.

7. Without the ability to offset the additional costs associated with a market modification, it would be "economically infeasible" pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 76.59(e) for DISH to comply with a market modification ordered by the FCC consistent with the request described in the Letter.

The foregoing has been prepared using facts of which I have personal knowledge or upon information provided to me. I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my current knowledge, information, and belief.

Jeffrey Blum

Senior Vice President and Deputy

General Counsel

DISH Network L.L.C.

Executed on July 14, 2016.



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June 14, 2016

DIRECTV, LLC Local-Into-Local - Market Modification 2260 East Imperial Highway El Segundo, California 90245

Attention: Vice President, Content & Programming

Subject:

Request for Feasibility Certification for La Plata County Market Modification Request

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July 22, 2016

Via E-mail and FedEx

La Plata County Board of County Commissioners La Plata County 1101 E. 2nd Ave. Durango, CO 81301 joanne.spina@co.laplata.co.us

**Dear La Plata County Board of County Commissioners:** 

Please find attached the results of your request for a preliminary evaluation of a potential market modification for stations KUSA, KTVD, KCNC, KDVR, KWGN, KMGH, KZCO, and KRMA in La Plata County, CO.

DIRECTV's engineering staff was given the areas to evaluate for our Denver, CO spot beams, and have found that:

• DIRECTV's HD spot beam does not cover 7 zip codes in La Plata County

DIRECTV will forward the results of this preliminary evaluation to the FCC for their records.

Thank you for your letter and your interest in DIRECTV programming.

Sincerely,

**DIRECTV** 

1. My name is	Phil Goswitz	l am _	SVP of Engineering	at DIRECTV.	As
such, I am respo	onsible for determining	service areas	for television stations carried	on DIRECTV's spot beams.	

2. DIRECTV has reviewed the request to add the communities listed below to the local television market for the station indicated.

Station (	State	County 1	
KCNC	со	LA PLATA	

- 3. DIRECTV has analyzed, with respect to each zip code associated with this request, the expected performance against specific performance criteria. The following factors have been included in this analysis:
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- 4. From this analysis, DIRECTV has derived the following metrics, which it has used to evaluate the potential to provide service in the zip code(s) in question:
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  - c. Total carrier-to-interference ratio.
- 5. DIRECTV has conducted this analysis in substantially the same manner and using substantially the same parameters used to determine the geographic area in which it currently offers stations carried on the spot beam.
- 6. Based on this analysis, DIRECTV:
  - ☐ HD ☑SD Can provide service to all the zip codes associated with this request.\*
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KRMA	СО	LA PLATA

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KTVD	СО	LA PLATA

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- 5. DIRECTV has conducted this analysis in substantially the same manner and using substantially the same parameters used to determine the geographic area in which it currently offers stations carried on the spot beam.
- 6. Based on this analysis, DIRECTV:

☐ HD ☑SD Can provide service to all the zip codes associated with this request.\*

☐ HD ☐ SD Cannot provide service to any zip code associated with this request because reception of the signal does not meet the minimum performance thresholds for DIRECTV's service.

©HD □SD Cannot provide service to some zip codes associated with this request because reception of the signal does not meet the minimum performance thresholds for DIRECTV's service.\* The list of unserved zip codes is attached.

\* IMPORTANT: SD coverage will no longer be available after 2018/2019 when the existing MPEG 2 satellite is removed from service.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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1. My name is _	Phil Goswitz	. I am _	SVP of Engineering	at DIRECTV.	As
such, I am respo	onsible for determining service	e areas	for television stations carried on DIR	ECTV's spot beams	i.

2. DIRECTV has reviewed the request to add the communities listed below to the local television market for the station indicated.

Station .	State	County
KZCO-LP	СО	LA PLATA

- 3. DIRECTV has analyzed, with respect to each zip code associated with this request, the expected performance against specific performance criteria. The following factors have been included in this analysis:
  - a. The measured performance of the spot beam covering this Television Station's local market.
  - b. Estimated atmospheric effects for reception of the signal.
  - c. Estimated levels of interference.
  - d. The amount of capacity currently used, and reasonably expected to be used, on the spot beam.
  - e. The target availability figure used for all television stations offered on the spot beam.
- 4. From this analysis, DIRECTV has derived the following metrics, which it has used to evaluate the potential to provide service in the zip code(s) in question:
  - a. Signal availability.
  - b. Clear sky signal margin.
  - c. Total carrier-to-interference ratio.
- 5. DIRECTV has conducted this analysis in substantially the same manner and using substantially the same parameters used to determine the geographic area in which it currently offers stations carried on the spot beam.
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Station	Zip	USPSFIPS	State	County	HD Covered	HD Evaluation Completed
KCNC	81137		co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KCNC	81301	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KCNC	81302		co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KCNC	81303	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
					No	7/13/2016
KCNC	81326	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KCNC	81328	08067	CO	LA PLATA		*. *.
KCNC	81329	08067	со	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KDVR	81137	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KDVR	81301	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KDVR	81302	08067	CO	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KDVR	81303	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KDVR	81326	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KDVR	81328	08067	CO	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KDVR	81329	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KMGH	81137	08067	со	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KMGH	81301	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KMGH	81302	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KMGH	81303	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KMGH	81326	08067	СО	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KMGH	81328	08067	СО	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KMGH	81328	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2010
KRMA	81137	08067	co	LA PLATA	No No	7/13/2016 7/13/2016
KRMA	81301		co	LA PLATA	No 	
KRMA	81302		co	LA PLATA	No 	7/13/2016
KRMA	81303	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2010
KRMA	81326	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2010
KRMA	81328	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2010
KRMA	81329	08067	со	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2010
KTVD	81137	08067	со	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2010
KTVD	81301	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/201
KTVD	81302	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/201
KTVD	81303	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2010
KTVD	81326	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KTVD	81328	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KTVD	81329	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2010
KUSA	81137	08067	co	LA PLATA	No —	7/13/2016
		08067			No	7/13/201
KUSA	81301		CO	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KUSA	81302	08067	CO	LA PLATA		
KUSA	81303	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KUSA	81326	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2010
KUSA	81328	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2010
KUSA	81329	08067	со	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KWGN	81137	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2010
KWGN	81301	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2010
KWGN	81302	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2016
KWGN	81303	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2010
KWGN	81326	08067	CO	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2010
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KWGN	81329	08067	co	LA PLATA	No	7/13/2010
KZCO	81122	08067	СО	LA PLATA	No HD channel available	
KZCO	81137	08067	co	LA PLATA	No HD channel available	
					No HD channel available	
KZCO	81301	08067	co	LA PLATA		
KZCO	81302	08067	co	LA PLATA	No HD channel available	
KZCO	81303	08067	co	LA PLATA	No HD channel available	
KZCO	81326	08067	co	LA PLATA	No HD channel available	
KZCO	81328	08067	co	LA PLATA	No HD channel available	
KZCO	81329	08067	со	LA PLATA	No HD channel available	
KZCO-LP	81122	08067	co	LA PLATA	No HD channel available	
KZCO-LP	81137	08067	co	LA PLATA	No HD channel available	
KZCO-LP	81301	08067	co	LA PLATA	No HD channel available	
KZCO-LP	81302	08067	co	LA PLATA	No HD channel available	
KZCO-LP	81303	08067	co	LA PLATA	No HD channel available	
KZCO-LP	81326	08067	co	LA PLATA	No HD channel available	
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### Joanne Spina

From:

Locals-Business <locals-business@directv.com>

Sent:

Monday, August 08, 2016 1:49 PM

To:

Joanne Spina

**Subject:** 

**RE: Market Modification Preliminary Evaluation** 

Dear Ms. Spina,

To answer your questions about DIRECTV's response to the La Plata County request for a preliminary market modification evaluation, there were seven (7) HD zip codes in La Plata County that were outside our HD spot beam, but we are able to serve all the La Plata County zip codes with our SD spot beam. On the certificate forms, we have also indicated that the SD satellite that currently covers La Plata County will be removed from service in 2018-19, and at that time, only the HD satellite will remain. This means that our ability to serve the whole of La Plata County cease in 2018-19 when the SD satellite is removed from service.

Regarding economic feasibility, we did not identify any issues that would make La Plata County's request economically infeasible.

Thanks,

Peggy Boucher
Programming Content Lead



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Ms. Boucher,

Thank you for your email and the attached letter related to La Plata County's June 14, 2016 request for a technical and economic feasibility certification in accordance with the FCC's pre-filing coordination procedures. We very much appreciate your responsiveness to our request and would appreciate some additional clarification.

First, it appears from the individual certifications regarding spot beam coverage that, although DIRECTV cannot provide HD service to our area, DIRECTV can provide SD (standard definition) service. Am we correct in that understanding?

Second, DIRECTV's response did not speak to economic feasibility. Can we expect a subsequent letter on that point?

Thank you for your clarification of these issues. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

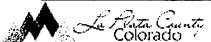
Sincerely,

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August 29, 2016

The Honorable Michael Bennet 458 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Cory Gardner 354 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

#### Dear Senators Bennet and Gardner:

As broadcasters in Colorado, we appreciate your continued interest in viewers' access to local broadcast TV programming throughout the state. With this letter, we want to confirm previous efforts by Colorado's broadcasters to deliver local programming to the Four Corners region.

In discussing carriage of television signals, it is important to remember that the designated market area (DMA) system serves as the foundation that allows local stations to support service to their communities. The most recent FCC report on DMAs, released on June 3, 2016, again affirmed the DMA structure, determined that departing from the existing DMA system would create enormous disruptions in the video programming industry, and concluded that changes to it would be unlikely to increase the amount of local programming available to viewers. This report also referred to an option for increasing localism that we have addressed previously – voluntary agreements for pay-TV operators to carry in-state stations' local, non-duplicative programming.

Broadcasters in the past have offered this option to pay-TV providers in several different markets, and Colorado broadcasters made such an offer two years ago for Montezuma and La Plata counties. We do so again as a unique, targeted solution for this particular region. Our goal is to provide those counties with local Colorado programming, while not undermining the framework of our nation's local TV broadcasting system.

The stations represented by this letter remain willing to negotiate terms of targeted carriage arrangements to allow delivery of local, in-state, non-duplicative broadcast programming and to increase access to in-state news by Colorado viewers. In doing so, we also need to respect existing programming contracts and important FCC rules that support locally-oriented TV broadcasting. The specifics of such negotiated carriage arrangements will need to be worked through with individual broadcast stations.

In addition, we understand that Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting is willing to offer its programming without cost to pay-TV entities in Montezuma and La Plata counties. This programming would not be duplicative of other public television programming in the area; similar to the individual Colorado broadcast stations, public broadcasters would need to be engaged directly by pay-TV providers with respect to specifics.

Again, we thank you for your continued desire to work with us to facilitate a successful outcome. Sincerely,

Joan M. Barrett

Vice President/General Manager KDVR-TV/KWGN-TV

Denver, CO

Walt DeHaven

Vice President/General Manager

KCNC-TV Denver, CO Brad Remington

Vice President/General Manager

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Mark Cornetta

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CEO

**Rocky Mountain PBS** 

Denver, CO

# Public comments on petition to Federal Communications Commission for Television Market Modification

Below are public comments submitted to La Plata County in support of the petition for market modification to make Denver broadcast television available to Southwest Colorado residents.

I think it is anti-democratic that although I live in CO, my "local" news originates from New Mexico! This has gone on far too long. Please allow those of us who live in SW Colorado to have Denver tv stations! My ties are to CO. Not NM!

Barbara Dodds

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La Plata County residents are also residents of Colorado, not New Mexico. As such, and as Colorado voters, it is important that we know what our state government is doing and how they are voting. Denver is the capital of Colorado, so we need to get our news from Denver! The news from Albuquerque does not affect us at all!

Marnie Roti 211 Via Veneto Durango, CO 81301 marnieroti@aol.com

Living where we do and only having access to Albuquerque television services essentially disenfranchises us and substantially eliminates our ability to make informed decisions on statewide issues. This is compounded by the fact that we no longer receive routine delivery of Denver newspapers. Our local paper makes a gallant effort to keep us informed on state issues but is unable to do so with the coverage that a larger city paper can provide.

If we are to be able to understand and adequately respond on state issues it is essential that we be given regular access to media that originates in and provides in depth coverage of Colorado government and Colorado issues.

Bayard Heroy 1858 County Rd 205 Durango CO 81301 bheroy@hrblock.com

I have lived here for 12 years with no access to Colorado news or state politics or emergency notifications. Seems absurd to me and easily fixed.

Bruce Appelbaum 122 Rendezvous Trail 122 Rendezvous trail Hesperus, CO 81326 appelbs@me.com

We have wanted Denver stations since moving here in 2001. We have friends who give a false Pagosa Springs address to Direc TV or Dish just to get the Denver stations they normally receive even though they are as close to New Mexico as Durango is. It is ridiculous that this process is so difficult and if what we understand is true...that it is Nielsen and the advertising revenue NM gets from forcing us to watch their stations and news and political ads...this is something that must be changed at once. You would think that Colorado politicians would want to reach all Colorado voters when they spend their advising dollars. PLEASE get this mess straightened out and do it now.

Roger & Cindy Lathrop 113 Thunderbird Road Hesperus, CO 81326 ral@durango.net

We have been residents of LaPlata County for over 17 years and are still waiting to be able to get important news for the state of Colorado via television. We are not able to get cable in our sub-division and must rely on Dish Network satellite for our TV viewing and nothing that happens in New Mexico is of much interest to us. It would be most helpful to be able to hear election debates, news of what is happening in the legislative sessions in Denver and other important news that relates to things that affect our lives in our own state. It would also be helpful to receive Colorado Public Broadcasts and not those stories about New Mexico. Since we do not shop in Albuquerque, I do not think businesses there will be affected by our lack of interest in their economy. It seems like time that the FCC takes a stand to let the people have a choice of the television they can watch and to be current on affairs that affect the lives of residents of LaPlata County and the state of Colorado.

Ronald & Julie Atkinson 715 Sawmill Road, Rafter J Durango, CO 81303 corajja@frontier.net

I want to receive news and information about the State in which I reside. In years of elections, we have very little, or no information regarding State issues and candidates. I do not go to New Mexico to do any shopping. I prefer to shop in my State to keep tax dollars here. I will drive to Denver for major shopping, culture, and entertainment.

We have no information regarding what is going on in our State as to general issues, emergencies, sports, etc.

Ed Rosenthal 449 Hogan Cir. Durango, CO 81301 ejrose@frontier.net

We have lived in Durango for 12 years and know absolutely nothing about the State government or operations of the legislature. Every year, we're subjected to the political ads from New Mexico...we don't vote in New Mexico. Give us Colorado TV so we can stay up-to-date and become part of the political

process in our own state.

Katherine Burgess
23 Red Mountain Dr.

Durango, CO 81301

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As a resident of Colorado, I feel it is important to be updated on activities and news that are relevant to our state, not to New Mexico, where I do not live. We need to have Denver TV broadcast here in Durango. I feel out of contact with Colorado affairs.

William Cagle
399 W. Park Ave #A4

Durango, CO 81301

As citizens of Colorado, we deserve to have news from our state Capitol, not from Albuquerque. We deserve to know what is going on in our state, not New Mexico. We deserve to be informed about issues affecting us that we may want to give comment or input on.

John M. Angst 805 E. 31st St. Durango Colorado 81301-6028 two.angsters@gmail.com

whcagle@hotmail.com

Although I receive my TV by cable, we are still not able to obtain all the Denver Stations and it would sure be nice to be able to see all of Colorado's news on out television. For many years now we have suffered with this crazy situation and we'd like some help in changing the TV stations!

Charles Haley
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Cortez, CO 81321
cmhaley@frontier.net

The citizens of Colorado deserve the right to have access to television news that represents the happenings in the state where we live, pay taxes, and vote. It is ridiculous that I know more about the New Mexico elections than those in my own state that affect me. Please give us access to Colorado TV. If we took the Denver area and restricted them to the channels we get, this issue would have been fixed years ago.

Randy Black 327 Sundance Hills Road Durango, CO 81303 rkblack@frontier.net

We are strongly in favor of Denver TV access for La Plata County. As Colorado residents, we should indeed receive Colorado news and programming. Thank you very much. Chris & Misty Ahearn

414 Hogan Circle Durango, CO 81301 Cahearn1@me.com

I am sick and tired of watching New Mexico news, and as a Colorado resident, the state in which I pay taxes, live, shop, and participate in on a regular basis, I believe that this is a disservice to myself and my fellow residents. In an election year, especially, it is absolutely ridiculous that we are not receiving information about the issues and the candidates that affect us directly due to the fact that we are not receiving the Denver news stations. In addition, we are not getting information about our weather, road conditions, or events that may pertain to the state of Colorado.

It is my hope that we can get the Denver news stations here in the Durango area; we are Colorado residents, not New Mexico residents and deserve to be informed about our state.

Judy Rosenthal 449 Hogan Circle Durango, CO 81301 jrrcobound@yahoo.com

The ability for La Plata County to have access to Denver TV has existed for years...many in the county already have it because they found diverse ways to connect through a Denver address. The thought that it has not been technically possible is ludicrous. It is time we were given access to news and programs that meet our needs not the needs of corporations who somehow think we belong in a marketing area with Albuquerque. Why should Cortez have access and we be denied? It is long past time for us to have access to meaningful news, sports, and programming. I chose not to lie to bypass the current status...you reward those who lie rather than those who abide by the law.

Please act to do what you know is right and moreover makes common sense!
Cathy Schadt
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Durango, CO 81301
gramcath@msn.com

I support the effort to bring Denver TV stations to Durango, Colorado, instead of Albuquerque TV, from which we receive 3 stations of New Mexico coverage daily. I live in Colorado and I vote in Colorado and I want Colorado news. I moved here from Denver 17 years ago and when I learned that we didn't receive Colorado TV, I began to write letters to the local paper and I was surprised at the response I got; many phone messages and letters agreeing with my complaint.

I attended meetings (some with over 100 people with our Senator) asking for TV coverage and we later received one station from Denver (Channel 15) for news only, 3 times a day. I am grateful for that, but would appreciate having 3 full day channels and not any New Mexico stations... or perhaps only one N.M. station. I would request the Denver stations include detailed Weather reports for S.W. Colorado also. (that means, "don't stand in front of the SW corner while giving reports of other areas in Colorado!" Thank you for planning this petition.

June Hahl 399 W. Park Ave. #B-2 Durango, CO 81301 Junehahl@icloud.com We have waited 12 years to become an informed citizen of Colorado. Many have been working to correct this situation much longer. But it is at times like these, during important political cycles that we are very out of touch. I have personally been working on campaigns and propositions but can not access the ads and editorials that may be in opposition. We do not watch Albuquerque news, or drive there to shop. We want to feel a part of the state we love, and live in. Please continue to move forward so that we can see this accomplished,

David and Kathie Adkins 285 South Fork Rd. Durango, CO 81303 kdadkins501@msn.com

I have had my home for 11 years and cannot believe we still have no Colorado news. I am ashamed I did not know that Governor Hickenlooper was mayor of Denver. I know all about the politicians of New Mexico, little about the Colorado ones. I also like football and cannot see the Broncos play. I would order things or check out stores if I saw advertising for Denver. I would travel to festivals if I knew where they were in Colorado. The list can go on. My home is in Colorado, I would like news from the stare where it is!!!

Carol Appelbaum 122 Rendezvous Trail Hesperus, CO 81326 carola47@me.com

If for no other reason, we should be included in Denver, CO. TV instead of Albuquerque, NM TV because we VOTE every 2 years in Colorado Elections not New Mexico elections and NM does not carry the advertisements or news stories about Colorado candidates.

I am a 3rd generation Colorado Native and I get extremely upset when I have to watch Dallas Cowboys or Phoenix Cardinals instead of getting to watch the Denver Broncos play football.

Thirdly we are able to fly directly from Durango, CO to Denver, CO for shopping or to run in and see a game or any other reason and we Can Not fly to Albuquerque, NM directly from Durango.

Thank You for your consideration, but common sense says we should be getting TV out of Denver instead of having to watch it from Out of State broadcasters.

Roger Pennington 164 Sandia Circle Bayfield, CO 81122 rogerap@msn.com

When my grandchildren think Susana Martinez is the GOV of Colorado and we live in the STATE OF COLORADO, it makes me angry. If you do not want us, then quit collecting taxes from ALL THE FOUR CORNERS and send us out to form a new state!! WE ARE NOT IN NEW MEXICO!! That the reason for forbidding our state TV coverage is because of MARKETING Is a ROTTEN CHOICE!!! NOT allowing us to KNOW what is going on in the State house keeps us from knowing what the reasons are for all the upcoming election ballot choices and why we have gotten stuck with best guess from one newspaper. Thank you NOT for stopping the Denver Post from getting over the mountains also. PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE let us see what is going on in our state---we can get the Broncos on cable---that is NOT why it is so critical to give us the option to make an informed decision on what affects us by what Denver decides in the state houses. At least Gov Hickenlooper makes it to Durango almost once a year!

1858 County Road 205 Durango, CO 81301 bemheroy@yahoo.com

We need to have Colorado news, sports and programming NOT New Mexico news, programming and sports. We are left in the dark when it comes to the politics in our state. Our children know who is running in New Mexico but have no idea who is running in their own state! This is not acceptable! In this day and age with our digital technology other means of communications (like Radio) are beam via satellite or the internet. We live in Colorado not New Mexico. If we wanted New Mexico TV then we would move to New Mexico. The technology for receiving Denver signals works in the neighboring county so it works here too!

Michael Morris 1843 County Road 207 Durango, Co 81301 mwmorriscolo@msn.com

I've been fighting this for over 10 years. The technology has been available for over 20 years as we received Denver TV via the old 7 and 8 foot dishes. Congress does not approve ruling from the FCC so a stroke of the pen is all that is required. I know very little about Colorado political candidates, but know a lot about New Mexico's. Internet helps a little bit, but it is extremely slow (1.3 mbiites at best). No overair available at our location.

Bill Morris 8872 County Road 502 Bayfield, CO 81122 wmrmorris@Gmail.combeen

Please do everything possible to provide Denver TV access to our corner of the state.

Joyce Erickson

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Durango, CO 81301

ijoyceeric@gmail.com

We have lived in La Plata County for 26 and have never felt any connection with the Albuquerque broadcast market. It's extremely important that Coloradans have access to the state's news, politics, and sports that we, as residents of this state, and this county, can relate to. Please, please, please do what you can to give La Plata County residents access to Denver television. Thank you! Lori Moss
48 Songbird Lane

Durango, CO 81301 lamoss1124@gmail.com

We are from Denver and really miss the Denver channels after moving here to Durango. We feel since we pay Colorado taxes and live in Colorado, we should have access to Colorado news! Sue Plvan

135 Ute Pass Rd

Durango, CO 81301 plvansue@gmail.com

Please bring Denver TV access to La Plata County. Having to watch Albuquerque news and listen to New Mexico related issues that have no impact on myself as a resident of Colorado is painful. I moved to Colorado for a reason and want to be kept up to speed on Colorado business.

Lori Zazzaro 825 Hickory Ridge Bayfield, CO 81122 lorizaz@hotmail.com

It's ridiculous that we can't receive Colorado news and channels. We are not New Mexico. Please find some way to bring us local Colorado programming and news.

Paul Plvan 135 Ute Pass Road Durango, CO 81301 pivan.paul@gmail.com

We are Colorado citizens, paying taxes in Colorado. We are interested in Colorado News, Sports, etc.. La Plata County is part of Colorado.

Esther Ryser 2820 W 2nd Ave Durango, CO 81301 ryserharing@gmail.com

We need Colorado news and weather - this needs to happen NOW! Cindy Morin 61 Arroyo Seco Bayfield, CO 81122 morincindy7@gmail.com

I would like to have CO/Denver news, weather and information available to the Durango area. Durango is a thriving, growing community and we need to feel connected to rest of our state. Especially regarding information surrounding our political and environmental issues.

Robin Garner 403 Spring Creek Drive Durango, CO 81301 robingarner@comcast.net

We have waited a long time for Denver TV. Just because of when the DMA was set up we didn't have easy access to Denver. But technology has changed that and it would be nice to know what the Colorado politics are.

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Would love to be able to see Denver info including news and political info vs. New Mexico. We are really identify more with Colorado vs. New Mexico. Thanks.

Eileen Maddox

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As a citizen of one of the designated Counties of the State of Colorado I believe that all citizens of this County should have the opportunity to view pertinent information that is shared with the other Counties of Colorado. An example is that it is my understanding Channel 9 in Denver and its subsidiary Channel 20 have aired actual candidate debates for the upcoming statewide election and that they have also aired a "pro and con" type debate for all the amendments that will affect the constitution of our state. Why are La Plata and Montezuma counties excluded from the sharing of that pertinent data? I am interested in the politics, business and sports that take place in my state not New Mexico. Please make Denver stations available to these two orphan counties. It will be greatly appreciated. David Hardy PO Box 725
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I feel that this is a marvelous idea and was appalled that there is any resistance to have our own state programming available on TV here. I have lived in the Durango area for 9 years and have to travel to Denver to find out what is actually going on in my state. I have no desire to find out what is going on in another state (New Mexico) that I do not live in or visit. I am ecstatic to actually find out about local Colorado events, Colorado State Politics, Colorado Weather, Colorado Road Conditions, Colorado sporting events and coverage of teams including Colorado High Schools, Colorado Colleges and Colorado Professional Teams. I am a Coloradoan and should have the choice to have programing that impacts Colorado not New Mexico. I understand that there may be marketing reasons why we are forced to have New Mexico programing in the area, however, I personally do not purchase anything in New Mexico and when I make any purchases I go to Denver or stay locally in Durango. Please allow Coloradoans to make choices that impact our daily lives in Colorado!

Ryan Cheese 849 E 4th Ave Durango, CO 81301 cheese.ryan@gmail.com

As a resident of Colorado we need to be informed about state issues. Beyond the weather most people here do not care about New Mexico, ads, news, etc. Please give us the Denver broadcasting channels. Laura Vaughan
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We would like to feel as if we're part of Colorado, especially during the election season, when all we hear and see on TV is New Mexico politicians. As for the other times, we get sick and tired of hearing about murders and drug busts in Albuquerque. Rocky Mountain PBS (KRMA Denver, KRMJ Grand Junction and KRMU Durango) are rich in Colorado content, which we can get only on cable of over the air from the RMPBS transmitter on Smelter Mountain but not via satellite. Please return us fully to Colorado, where we live, shop and belong.

James Foster 1472 East Third Avenue Durango, CO 81301 jhfdurango@frontier.net

We've longed for Denver news for years. We are in CO and Denver is our capital, NOT Albuquerque!
Terri
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As residents of Colorado we should be able to have access to programming that is pertinent to our state. We live, work and vote in Colorado not in the state of New Mexico!! We should have a choice to see programming that reflects our news, weather, politics and that affects our lives!

I am sick of New Mexico news and am a 5th generation Coloradan.

Molly Elliott

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This action to bring Denver TV is long overdue. The logic that has prevented La Plata County residents from receiving important information about the state in which we live is completely outdated and no longer relavent to the world in which we live, especially given the use of the internet in terms of market share, purchases, etc. For the record, I will not shop outside the state of Colorado, so receiving Albuquerque commercials and useless news events that have absolutely nothing to do with my local or state interest is just ridiculous.

For the FCC to continue to use this market dynamics as the justification to deny our residents important and vital information on a regular basis lacks any basis or merit and needs to be corrected immediately. I support 100% the current approach only because it seems to move us closer to our goal of receiving the important content relevant to the state in which I live, (Colorado not Albuquerque New Mexico). However, I believe the entire process is but yet just another example of a government agency that no longer supports the people it is chartered with providing the essential services we deserve and pay for as law abiding citizens.

Oliver Terry Snodgrass 297 County Road 201 Durango, CO 81301 terry6656@gmail.com I have lived in La Plata County for over 4 years. I have patiently waited, written my congressional representative, written my US Senator and written my local county commissioner about the ridiculous practice of showing TV from New Mexico to 2 small counties in Colorado. I don't care what was appropriate in 1950 for a lot of reasons, but mainly because I wasn't alive then, and it was over 60 years ago. A lot of things from 60 years ago don't make sense, women for instance, can now have a credit card, a practice that just over 50 years ago was not possible. Please stop pretending this is a bigger issue than it is. I can watch TBS and CNN from Atlanta, WGN from Chicago and a myriad of other stations from around the country.

This is the 21st Century. We no longer rely on antennas for our TV signals. There are satellites and they are already providing Colorado stations to residents around the block from me. The idea that it's challenging because of cable/satellite companies' infrastructure is just bunk. My neighbors give a fictitious address in Pagosa Springs or Silverton to get Colorado Stations, so it's already happening literally a few doors away.

The bureaucracy that has kept the issue from moving forward is beyond any reasonable level of comprehension. A group of bureaucrats in Washington DC have decided that revenue in New Mexico (specifically Albuquerque) is more important than the 100,000 people in Colorado who actually might like to hear something about Colorado when they watch the news; not to mention, receiving emergency alerts, amber alerts, etc.

How this is even an issue in 2016 is beyond me. How some New Mexico Networks' market share changing is not a problem for the FCC. We have a marketplace of supply and demand in this country. We in . Colorado want Colorado TV. How it financially affects New Mexico NBC, ABC, CBS and Fox affiliates is not something I care about, nor should the FCC, that isn't their responsibility. It's no longer 1950 and it's time the FCC stop putting up roadblocks to a very simple fix which 100,000 viewers want.

Diana Snodgrass 297 County Road 201 Durango, CO <u>Diana0512@gmail.com</u>

Please allow us to have access to Denver TV so we will have the latest news effecting our great state and also to keep us informed with emergency alerts, politics, and sports.

Every election I feel the need to write in the names of New Mexico people as that is who I am forced to watch. And that is sad!!!

Jim Ratliff 315 Ridge Top Circle Bayfield, CO 81122 bjratliff315@gmail.com

Each election season brings the ludicrous situation of New Mexico news to the forefront. The rare advertisement for a Colorado candidate requires sending money to New Mexico to run the ad. Our local newspaper, The Durango Herald, does a good job of providing information on local races but Colorado residents should be able to have ongoing understanding of state wide issues and where county needs fall within the larger context. This is especially important during legislative sessions. Additionally, La Plata County citizens do not have access to regular monitoring of state agencies through routine TV coverage of their activities. I am interested in all aspects of my state, all regions. My tax dollars are collected in Colorado. Additionally, I have a concern that any state wide disaster alerts would not be as timely when filtered through the NM channels.

When I shop in New Mexico, I rarely spend any money in businesses that advertise on television so there is not much rationale for NM TV channels to attempt to influence my purchasing power through advertising. Please let us have access to Colorado channels via major networks.

Myriam Palmer

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We've lived in Durango for 20 years--before that it was Denver. I love Colorado and really feel like we are left out of the state comradery somewhat without broadcasts from within the state. Having Denver/Colorado Springs or Grand Junction local broadcasts would be a very nice improvement for the Durango/La Plata region. Thank you.

Fran Reynolds
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Enough of forcing us to watch Albuquerque news and never even knowing the weather updates for Denver airport. We live in Colorado and get absolutely no news of relevance to us.

Julia Tyler

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I would LOVE to have Denver TV access rather than the depressing and irrelevant Albuquerque access. Kacy Ulam 3205 W 4th Ave, Apt 3 Durango, CO 81301 <a href="mailto:kacyulam@hotmail.com">kacyulam@hotmail.com</a>

Imagine my shock when I moved to La Plata County six months ago and learned I suddenly found myself living in Albuquerque, NM when it came to watching TV. I live in Colorado and want to enjoy the benefits of living in this state. Under the present arrangement, I'm kept in the dark about state government, legislative matters and how the Broncos, Nuggets and Rockies are doing. I just came back from Ouray, CO, a small town of 700 people which is 70 or so miles north of Durango, and was able to watch Denver TV channels. Why them and not the 50 thousand people who live in this county?

Bob Revitte

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- 1. I need the ability to hear the governmental issues in the state of Colorado.
- 2. Weather and weather alerts.
- 3. State issues.
- 4. Education issues.

5. Sports and sports information.Steve Beiser932 County Road 201Durango, CO 81301budbeisersteve@gmail.com

I support the efforts of La Plata County to petition the FCC to allow Denver TV access in our county. As a resident of Durango, I am disappointed that our satellite provider is prevented from providing coverage of news and events throughout the state because La Plata County has been placed in the marketing area for Albuquerque, NM. This current restriction sends the message that marketing and sales issues are more important than providing valuable CO information to residents of La Plata County. Gay Robson

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I am a Coloradan. As such, I am interested in the events and politics of Colorado - not New Mexico. Especially during this very important and controversial electoral campaign, it would have been nice to have had access to news from Denver rather than from Albuquerque. To be denied that coverage robs me of a part of the democratic process. That the FCC prevents access to Denver stations in SW Colorado is archaic and short sighted. I have been encouraging a change for 15 years, and am not aware of anyone who opposes the action. Why does the process have to take so long?

Marion Rodey 208 Deer Valley Road Hesperus, CO 81326 mrodey@frontier.net

My husband and I live just outside the city limits of Durango in La Plata County. Since moving to the area 16 years ago, we have been frustrated that we do not have access to Denver TV. We have attended in the past a public meeting that included a Nielson ratings executive who responded to direct question from me that La Plata residents are in the Albuquerque, NM marketing area and, therefore, the area receives Albuquerque TV channels. That seemed to be a preposterous excuse to us then and still does. No one we know shops in Albuquerque!

Our primary reasons for wanting access to Denver TV are as follows:

- 1. We want to be able to access Colorado emergency information, such as that concerning wildfires.
- 2. We want to receive Colorado weather and road condition information.
- 3. We want to be able to access Denver's political coverage.
- 4. We want access to Denver's coverage of sporting events.

It makes no sense that La Plata County is an "orphan" county, in close proximity to other Colorado counties that do have access to Denver TV.

Thanks for the opportunity to provide this information. Hopefully, we in La Plata County won't be put off again in our quest to access TV channels from our own state and capitol.

Suzanne Parker 403 Trimble Crossing Drive Durango, CO 81301 parkersuzannem@msn.com We are in Colorado not NM. If we want NM stations we would be in NM!
Bruce Jones
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The great majority of Americans have access to local TV programs from stations in their state or at least very near their State (e.g., DC stations covering Northern Virginia news, politics and sports). Durango however has no such benefits since it is in a so-called orphan county (La Plata) over 200 miles from its 'local' station in Albuquerque, a station not even in Colorado but instead in New Mexico.

We La Plata County residents deserve better. Thus, we fully support adding to our satellite TV menu channels from the nearest major city in Colorado - Denver. Only after this is accomplished will we have full first amendment rights guaranteed by the constitution. For example, we have now virtually no access to political pronouncements of people running for the various federal, state and local offices within the entire state of Colorado. Now is the time to repair ASAP this inequity (hopefully at minimum additional costs to residents).

As a retired FCC attorney, I, Joel, want to thank the FCC staff working on this task. I would think it is a win-win situation for both the content providers and the people seeking relief.

Joel and Marianne Pearlman

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Please provide Denver feed access to all Colorado residents. Having TV access from New Mexico interferes with the political processes in Colorado as well as denies relevant news information to citizens. Weather and road information should be local for safety reasons.

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We need Denver television in SW Colorado, and I definitely want it where I live, in Montezuma County. We vote Colorado, we support Colorado sports, why should we have to watch Albuquerque which means absolutely nothing to us?

Debbie McHenry

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As a resident who lives in the north end of La Plata County near Archuleta and Hinsdale county I still do not understand why I can't have television stations that airs news and weather about Colorado instead of Albuquerque New Mexico. Why would I want New Mexico news I live on Colorado. How can people vote for persons running for political office in Colorado if they are not informed of candidates. I can understand if I can't get Denver news but why not western slope news from Grand Junction?

Gordon Ratoike 338 Black Bear lane Bayfield, CO 81122 bjratoike@cs.com

We have waited for 16 years for the opportunity to receive informative information through Colorado TV stations. As a resident of Colorado, I care little about New Mexican politics. I am not a part of New Mexico's market area. I shop in Durango or online.

Having a private polling corporation deciding what "market area" I belong to is, in my opinion, inconsistent with government acting on behalf of State and Federal citizens rather than for the markets and corporations. So long as the change is technically feasible, no political or commercial reason should block this opportunity.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my opinion.

Glenn E Rodey 208 Deer Valley Road Hesperus, CO 81326 grodey@frontier.net

People in this part of Colorado have been waiting for decades to receive Denver TV. The question is not whether we should have it, or why it has taken so long (and so many petitions like this). The question is when is someone going to make this happen. It's long overdue and everyone knows it.

Tom Harris
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In 2005 my wife and I retired to La Plata County expecting to be able to watch Denver TV. We live in Colorado and pay taxes in Colorado, La Plata County, and Durango but are forced to watch New Mexico TV. During this political season, some local candidates have been running ads on Albuquerque TV, probably at great expense. We deserve to be able to watch Denver TV.

Ronald D Garst 95 Puma Pl Durango, CO 81301 rdgarst@durango.net

I am now 83 years old and have been requesting Denver television for the past 34years. I don't have any information about any of the local candidates running for office in La Plate County nor the State of Colorado for upcoming election.

I lost my darling wife of 53 years this past year and I shall be following her in the not too far future. Please expedite shutting down Albuquerque NM television and get us hooked up with Denver where we belong. The sooner the better.

Glen Watson 746 Ludwig Drive Bayfield, CO 81122 gmwatbayco@q.com I would like to get Denver news, especially political debates that are not currently available those of us who live in Southwesten, Colorado. As part of the New Mexico DMA we cannot get any Colorado news. Laurie Kain
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PLEASE take away the power from Neilson and let us have access to the real world of our state: Colorado. Stan Dunlap
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My husband and I have never lived in an area that could not access the news and sports for our state. We have found this VERY odd and totally unfair to the residents in our geographical area.

There isn't anyone I am aware of that prefers news from Albuquerque over Colorado weather, Colorado news,, the Colorado economy, and sports.

Please enable us to be full Colorado residents by sharing in the necessary information to be informed.

Marilyn Swanson

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Not being able to find out anything that is going on around the State we live in from television in today's world seems ridiculous. I know more about Albuquerque murders and NM weather than anyplace in Colorado. Also the NM local political ads are very helpful if you live and vote in Colorado. Joseph McLaughlin 486 King Mountain Road Durango, CO 81303 <a href="mailto:imcl@durango.net">imcl@durango.net</a>

As a resident of Colorado it would be helpful to know about news and emergencies occurring in Colorado.

I am part of the Southwest Incident Management Team, one of 5 in the state, and the only one that has to rely on e-mails, phone contacts and EM notifications on developing incidents without state broadcast news as an added info source including overhead camera footage.

As a municipal employee for the City of Durango, again political leadership of the state is not broadcast to our area, thus another disadvantage to our daily lives wondering about possible implications of taxes and laws affecting our personal lives much less professional lives.

Thank you for your consideration.

Steve Barkley Address 7300 CR 307 Ignacio, CO 81137 sbarkley@wildblue.net Yes is my vote for Denver TV access. Robert L Lanese 961 North Tamarron Dr #595 Durango, CO 81301 blanese467@gmail.com

I live in Colorado, I shop and spend my money in Colorado, I do not travel to Albuquerque New Mexico for anything. Being assigned to the Albuquerque DMA is very frustrating, even aggravating. Getting an Amber Alert for New Mexico on my TV "might" have some benefit, but NOT getting an Amber Alert on my TV from Denver, (where I have family and friends live), is totally absurd. Worse yet, if and when there are Emergencies in the state of Colorado that get posted on Colorado TV channels WE DON'T GET THEM!! We would like to see the political ADs for Colorado races, such as State Senators, Governor, Amendments, etc. - not the political ADs for New Mexico.

Michael Calahan 382 Mykal Nicole Drive Ignacio, CO 81132 calahan118@msn.com

For 25 years, I have not been able to get Colorado news especially what is happening in the Legislature and Senate. Please give us the right to see what we want, paying, we should receive Denver news. Sharon White 749 Sawmill Rd. Durango, CO 81303 <a href="mailto:sww@pagosa.net">sww@pagosa.net</a>

All Coloradans should have access to Denver TV to keep up with Colorado events and government. We don't want to be forced to watch Albuquerque TV!
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Please allow all counties in Colorado to have access to Denver TV. We need the information on our politics and legislative news to be front and center. Not an after-thought by another state pretending to care what happens in Colorado. We need the weather reports for our state. We want our state team games on whenever they play. We are tired of the same old New Mexico news that has little to no relevance for Southwest Colorado. Especially the constant reporting on violent crime. Thank you for your consideration and please help these "orphan" counties find their rightful home in television land. Rachel Killinen
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Bayfield, CO 81122 drkillinen@msn.com Please continue to move forward with allowing Denver based TV access to La Plata County. This will allow us proper access to our State news, politics, sports, and other important information that affects us. I do NOT want to watch New Mexico stations! For example, we could not see any of the Colorado based TV for our important upcoming elections-- this is unacceptable!

Please help change this OUTDATED law that makes us watch New Mexico stations. It is 2016-- please give us a choice to watch Colorado TV.

Thank you for your help!
William Burgess
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Please allow these two counties to have Denver news so we can have access to the news and weather forecasts that relates to us and our State. Thank you.

Dusti Riggs 316 CR 130 Hesperus, CO 81326

Would like to know what happens in Colorado and how it going to effect me instead of what going on in New Mexico.

Dustin Killinen

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I would like to see Denver/Colorado news for our local channels. It is very difficult to get information regarding Colorado elections and happenings from New Mexico. We are residents of Colorado and should not be denied Colorado news. An even better solution, would be to allow individuals to choose there news stations from their dish or cable providers.

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We need news and broadcasts for the state in which we live.
Lindsey Hamrick
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It would benefit me to know what political issues are in our state and who is running for office. Right now I feel like a New Mexico resident and know nothing about the state of Colorado.

Justin Moore

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I would very much like to have access to Denver television. I believe it will be more relevant to our area than Albuquerque television. Colorado news, current events, politics, weather, and more will help keep us better informed as residents of southwest Colorado.

Stan Williams, 275 County Road 503 Bayfield, CO 81122-9305 stanwilliams@outlook.com

We live in Colorado not New Mexico therefore should be able to get Denver news!

Tanis Wagner

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I am a resident of LaPlata county. I lived most of my life in Southwest Colorado. I find myself a bit disturbed that we cannot get Denver television and live in Colorado. At one time we received to over translator towers. So Albuquerque TV made sense. Now with cable and satellite television, this no longer makes sense. I want to know who is running statewide for election. I want to hear what is happening in the state that I call home. This has become untenable. It is time to change the rules. I am demanding action so that when I time into news, I get Colorado news. When I want to see the Broncos, Nuggets and Avalanche play, I will actually be able to do so without going to some sports bar. Thanks so much for your attention in this matter.

Judith I Farnam 838 Gem In Bayfield, CO 81122 jif.farnam3@gmail.com

Having lived in La Plata County since 1981 I have pretty much given up on this ever happening. I don't understand the reasoning behind excluding us from Colorado News and Politics via Denver TV. As Colorado Tax Payers we should have the choice in receiving Colorado State News including Politics. In my opinion I have determined that by restricting our access to Denver TV and Election Information the FCC is committing Voter Suppression.

In every Election Cycle many of us feel we are being left out of the process.

Without access to Denver TV during these election years we feel very disconnected from our own state and no one seems to care.

Yes, please consider granting the La Plata County Area access to Denver News and Politics.

Otherwise business as usual and and in my humble opinion, Voter Suppression!

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In support for Denver TV access.

Kelly MacLaurin 379 Timberline Drive Durango, CO 81301 maclaurin.kelly@gmail.com

My husband and I have lived at this address for 27 years and have been subjected to Albuquerque channels for that entire time. Albuquerque IS NOT local to us. We have family and friends that live in the Denver/Ft.Collins area and travel to that part of the state at least 2-3 times a year. We are much more likely to spend dollars in Colorado rather than New Mexico. It is especially annoying in election years, when we are subjected to campaign ads for candidates that we can't even vote for. We would very much like to get Denver channels. Thanks!

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PLEASE find a way that residents of La Plata County can have access to Denver news stations. We have held captive by New Mexico stations, rescue us please. We have little information to make informed decisions, especially during election years. We are unwillingly able to make those political decisions for New Mexico, but can't cast votes because we are COLORADO residents. Please treat us as a priority, we are proud Colorado residents and wish to have our own states news.

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We live in CO and need access to news on state related issues. We only have one source at specific times of the day. We choose not to watch murder and mayhem from the ABQ stations.

Randal Rowland

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Durango, CO 81301

I think it is ridiculous that we pay for New Mexico news! We are in Colorado and I would appreciate if someone finally looked at this as an issue!! Why on earth do I need to know about NM when I don't live there! I care about my states news! I feel it is important to hear and receive Colorado news. I can watch world news on any other channel, but never do I get Durango or any Colorado news! Absolutely absurd! Kandyce Higgins
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I believe the current system which requires Direct TV to provide its customers in southern Colorado access to local news. entertainment, and advertising from Albuquerque, New Mexico, rather than Denver, Colorado, is unfair and damaging to my ability to be an informed citizen of Colorado.

Honestly, I find news and information from local Albuquerque TV channels of no interest or importance. I find I must search on the internet to learn information and news about critical issues facing Colorado residents. This information is needed to vote responsibly.

For example, I learned just recently that the departure of Sen. Ellen Roberts of Durango could have an impact on the balance of power at the (Colorado) statehouse, The Durango Herald reported. The GOP will head into the election with only a one-seat majority in the Senate. Roberts also serves as president protem, so there will be turnover in the party's Senate leadership.

As a Colorado citizen, I must insist that I can access Denver TV local channels via Direct TV service.

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I would like to receive Denver channels! It would be nice to know what is gong on in my own state rather than Albuquerque. NM!

Janie Hoover

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Please bring Denver TV to La Plata County! We need to be informed about the issues and happenings in OUR state where we vote, not New Mexico. Certainly we share relevant issues with our geographic neighbors but that does not compensate for the information we need from our leaders on the front range. Don't forget us down here in the lower left corner. Bring Denver TV to all Colorado constituents please!

Jennifer Heinicke 81 Stevens Creek Ln Durango, CO 81301 heinicke@bresnan.net

We are requesting that the FCC include us with the rest of Colorado receiving Denver television programming.

We have no idea who is running in the political races except our very local ones.

It is very hard to make the right choices.

We also would like to get sports programming. We pay Colorado state taxes not New Mexico's.

Alison & Paul Reed

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I would much rather know what is going on within my own state. Although NM state border is an hour away, their happenings are not of interest to me.

Debbie Egger 270 Aloo Gobi Durango, CO 81301 degger1956@gmail.com For years we have been ignored with our request for Colorado news. We are clueless on what happens in our own state. I feel it is against our rights to not inform us of all means of safety, welfare, political, and general progress of Colorado. I do not live in New Mexico I live in Colorado.

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I am sick and tired of New Mexico news.
Connie Bennett
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We want Denver TV!
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The lack of TV broadcasts in the Durango area that emanate from Colorado results in a lack of information about our state. The current system of television ADI groupings is out of date and needs to be changed. As a dues paying (tax paying) citizen of Colorado, I would like to have access to the issues affecting my life and that of my family. The current ruling that requires our TV signal to be from New Mexico puts us in the unenviable position of being orphans to Colorado events. Your efforts to resolve this issue once and for all are most appreciated.

Ron and Mary Gilley Durango, CO

The Nielsen's 'cast in stone' exclusion of southwest Colorado to Denver broadcasting is more Stone Age than reason. Is it reality that Albuquerque's marketing is ranked higher than the La Plata County thirst for our state's interests?

Peggy Schroder Durango, CO

## Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20315

October 26, 2016

The Honorable Tom Wheeler Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street S.W. Washington, D.C. 20536

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

We write in strong support of La Plata County's market modification petition to allow in-state broadcasts from Denver-based stations into La Plata County. Their submission is the result of years of work by the county and its residents who have demanded access to in-state television programming for local news, weather, and sports.

La Plata County is part of the Albuquerque, New Mexico DMA. As such, television subscribers do not have access to Colorado programming, including critical information, such as developments from the state capital, and local sports and weather.

For the past several years, our offices have worked together with the satellite providers and broadcasters to find a workable solution to the orphan county issue. While were able to find temporary fixes to provide some viewers with Denver television, it is time for a permanent solution. With the Denver broadcasters indicating their willingness to negotiate carriage of their programming to all Colorado viewers, and the satellite companies indicating that carriage is feasible, we hope this petition will resolve the issue for viewers in La Plata County.

We are pleased the Commission set forth the process that allows local governments to petition for market modification, based on language we secured in the Satellite Television Extension and Localism Act Reauthorization (STELAR) Act of 2014. In fact, in its September 2015 final rulemaking, the Commission specifically cited our April 2015 letter detailing La Plata County's situation as an "orphan county" in adopting new market modification rules.

We urge the Commission to swiftly review this petition and work with all relevant parties to quickly complete consideration of the market modification process.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Michael F. Bennet

United States Senator

Cory Gardner

United States Senator

Scott R. Tipton

Member of Congress